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HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO.

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This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

Introduced by: Representatives Eccarius, Michels, and Peterson (Bill) and Senators Everist and Brown (Arnold)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the distribution of state aid to education.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. That § 13-13-10.1 be amended to read as follows:

4 13-13-10.1. Terms used in this chapter mean:

5 (1) "Average daily membership," the average number of resident and nonresident
6 kindergarten through twelfth grade pupils enrolled in all schools operated by the
7 school district during the previous regular school year, minus average number of
8 pupils for whom the district receives tuition, except pupils described in subdivision
9 (1A) and pupils for whom tuition is being paid pursuant to § 13-28-42 and plus the
10 average number of pupils for whom the district pays tuition;

11 (1A) Nonresident students who are in the care and custody of the Department of Social
12 Services, the Unified Judicial System, the Department of Corrections, or other state
13 agencies and are attending a public school may be included in the average daily
14 membership of the receiving district when enrolled in the receiving district. When

counting a student who meets these criteria in its general enrollment average daily membership, the receiving district may begin the enrollment on the first day of attendance. The district of residence prior to the custodial transfer may not include students who meet these criteria in its general enrollment average daily membership after the student ceases to attend school in the resident district;

(2) "Adjusted average daily membership," calculated as follows:

(a) For districts with an average daily membership of two hundred or less and a general fund balance percentage of forty percent or less, multiply 1.2 times the average daily membership;

(b) For districts with an average daily membership of less than six hundred, but greater than two hundred and a general fund balance percentage of forty percent or less, raise the average daily membership to the 0.8293 power and multiply the result times 2.98;

(c) For districts with an average daily membership of six hundred or more or a general fund balance percentage of more than forty percent, multiply 1.0 times their average daily membership;

(2A) "General fund balance percentage," is a school district's ending general fund cash balance for the previous school fiscal year divided by the school districts total general fund expenditures for the previous school fiscal year, the quotient expressed as a percent;

(3) "Index factor," is the annual percentage change in the consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers as computed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor for the year before the year immediately preceding the year of adjustment or three percent, whichever is less;

1 (4) "Per student allocation," for the period January 1, 1997, to June 30, 1997, inclusive,
2 is \$1,675. For school fiscal year 1998, beginning on July 1, 1997, the per student
3 allocation shall be \$3,350 increased by the index factor. Each school fiscal year
4 thereafter, the per student allocation shall be the previous fiscal year's per student
5 allocation increased by the index factor;

6 (5) "Local need," the per student allocation multiplied by the adjusted average daily
7 membership;

8 (6) "Local effort," the amount of ad valorem taxes generated in a school fiscal year by
9 applying the levies established pursuant to § 10-12-42.

10 Section 2. That chapter 13-13 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
11 follows:

12 The secretary of the Department of Education and Cultural Affairs shall determine the
13 reduction in state aid to education to school districts resulting from school districts having a
14 general fund balance percentage greater than forty percent. The secretary of the Department of
15 Education and Cultural Affairs shall distribute the amount of money so determined on a pro rata
16 basis according to the school districts' average daily membership to school districts with a
17 general fund balance percentage of less than twenty percent.